

OAXACA WITH MEXICO CITY 8 DAYS /7 NIGHTS LAND NORWARD/LAND MORON

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DAY 1 ARRIVAL TRANSFER AIRPORT / HOTEL

Welcome at the Mexico City "Benito Juarez" International Airport, transfer to the hotel of your choice and accommodation.

DAY 2 CITY TOUR // ANTHROPOLOGY

In the morning we will start our tour visiting the national palace, the constitution square (the central plaza or "zocalo") and the Metropolitan Cathedral as well as some of the main avenues; like Madero street and, historical buildings like post office building, Palacio de Bellas Artes, Reforma avenue with the angel of Independence, in addition to the "pink zone" (zona rosa) and visit Revolution monument, , we shall later visit Chapultepec park and we will visit the anthropology museum the museum's collections include the most important cultures of Mexico, If mesoamerica is really the lands of the Book of Mormon as most scholars claim, then the museum is by far the best place to learn about the possible relationship between Mesoamerica and the Book of Mormon, in this visit it is possible to find the greatest number of coincidences cultural, social, military, political and religious with the Book of Mormon. return to the hotel.

DAY 3 TEOTIHUACAN PYRAMIDS // ACOLMAN

In the morning we shall start our tour visiting the famous archaeological site of Teotihuacan, enigmatic place full of information that could have a clear connection with BofM where we shall see the monumental Pyramids of the Sun and The Moon, the temple of Quetzalpapalotl, the citadel and the avenue of the dead; all this with an lds insight, Then we will visit the convent of Acolman, a place that tradition tells us was the place where the Augustinian monks invented the piñata as a Christian symbol. return to the hotel.

DAY 4 SANTA MARIA TONANZINTLA / CHOLULA / PUEBLA

We shall start our visit Santa Maria Tonanzintla church, whose decoration of the interior of the temple corresponds to the indigenous baroque or New Hispanic baroque style, consisting of an exuberant decoration with indigenous motifs, such as angels with feather plumes, with flower garlands, with eagle knight attire and with indigenous features, fruits, and plants. From there we will continue to the archaeological site of Cholula, where the largest pyramid in the world would be found, and where now a hill is in its place which inside is part of this pyramid which we can visit through tunnels that they cross the interior of the pyramid itself until reaching the Great Cholulteca Sanctuary; and at the top a Catholic church, and we shall carry on the colonial city of Puebla; The majority of whose buildings are decorated with tiles and beautifully sculpted freestone; we shall also see its majestic Cathedral, The main Square, The Chapel of the Rosary in the Santo Domingo temple, considered the eighth wonder of the art world. The city of Puebla has recently been named as a heritage of humanity place by "UNESCO".

DAY 5 MEXICO / OAXACA

Pick up early in the morning and departure to Oaxaca, (5 hour drive) lunch time (lunch not included) and visit this City, Oaxaca City offers a blend of experiences and attractions, including an engaging historical colonial center with cobbled streets, striking architecture, quiet plazas, and a fine central square often filled with soft sounds created by local musicians serenading people as they rest under the shade of its trees, as well as those taking some time to enjoy fine beverages and quiet conversation at one of the local cafés. We are going to visit the Cathedral, zocalo, Benito Juarez market, paseo Alcalá, Santo Domingo Church, Benito Juarez house. Accommodation.



DAY 6 OAXACA - MONTE ALBAN - MITLA - TULE

Breakfast. (Included) In the morning visit to Monte Alban, an important archaeological zone where we will find important remains of Olmec, Zapotec and Mixtec cultures: the Main Square, the Observatory, Tomb # 7, the Stones of the Dancers. We will continue to Mitla, whose buildings are decorated with symbolic mosaics. In route we are going to have lunch time (lunch not included) and later we will meet the Tule Tree, one of the biggest living beings in the world. Latter we will return to Oaxaca City. Tonight, we will have a dinner with a small Oaxacan show (included)

DAY 7 – (OPTION1) HIERVE EL AGUA / YAGUL

Breakfast. (Included) Early in the morning, departure to Yagul is a splendid set of ruins that houses the largest, most important ball game court in Oaxaca. We will see the ceremonial area houses the ball game court, the palace, the patios, and other structures. After this we will visit Hierve el Agua, this stunning rock formation that has the appearance of a waterfall is the result of thousands of years of Calcium Carbonate deposits from two independent springs. The calcified water of Hierve el Agua 'boils' to the surface due to hydraulic pressure within the rocks, and nowadays is now channeled into two man-made pools where it is possible to swim. After lunch we will head back to Mexico City.

DAY 7 (OPTION 2) SAN BARTOLO COYOTEPEC / SAN MARTIN TILCAJETE

Breakfast. (Included) Early in the morning, departure to San Martín Tilcajete is the town where alebrijes are born, representations of imaginary animals carved in wood in a combination of bright colors. The meaning of alebrije comes from three words which are: Joy for its colors, Witch for mysticism and Embije, which means to dye or paint something red. Later we will go to San Bartolo Coyotepec which the main attraction is the black clay pottery made by local artisans and whose originality and designs are unique in the world. In some establishments, such as the "Doña Rosa", the rudimentary techniques of the elaboration are shown. The Oaxaca pottery is especially well known and sought-after throughout Mexico, and world-wide. After lunch we will head back to Mexico City.

DIA 8 DEPARTURE TRANSFER. HOTEL / AIRPORT

At time indicated transfer from your hotel to the Mexico City International airport

INCLUDED:
*Accommodation in 4-star hotels
*4 nights in Mexico City
*1 night in Puebla
*3 nights in Oaxaca
*6 breakfasts 1 Dinner
* All sightseeing described in itinerary in air-conditioned Vans or Cars, depending on the number of participating guests.
* Admission fees included.

* Escorted tours.